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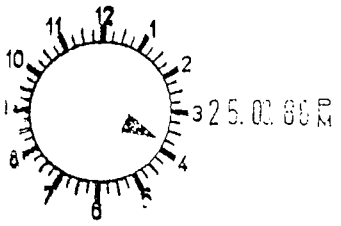

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Re: Research project

Dear Bradley:

Yesterday we sent you as a starting point an "Activity List" in which the requisite activities for starting research in a Belgian facility to be established were listed. The "unidimensional" format of this list, however, does not provide the perspective needed to gain an understanding of the complex network of activities some of which are independent and others dependent and some of which may be begun immediately and others subsequently. Therefore, we would like to reemphasize that the most immediate and hence critical milestone is the notarial attestation (1.3). In order to reach this milestone it is of the utmost importance that the elements of the new corporation (1.1) be defined. Two other important prerequisites for the company's establishment are the availability of money (2.4) to enable the corporation to be attested (capital investment and notary/lawyer fees) and the discussion of tax requirements with officials (1.2). The latter, as was mentioned to us, has a significant influence on the taxation. Here a wide range of "agreements" is possible under Belgian law. One example would be to obtain approval exempting the employees from Belgian income tax for the first 2 years of operation. Do you think that for these negotiations which have to be undertaken before the notarial attestation (1.3) but after the definitions (1.1) the management of the new company can use the consultant, Mr. S. Callens, who has formerly assisted us?

The notarial attestation will be the starting point for the sections "Staff" (5), "Approval of animal experiments" (6), and "Signing of lease contract" (3.3).

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The staff activities (ranging from requesting INBIFO employees for transfer acceptance to their actual transfer to Brussels) will probably require 6 weeks. The approval of animal experiments can be obtained probably within 2 weeks. The equipping of the building, including the leasehold improvements, will probably require 6 to 8 weeks after the lease contract has been signed.

Immediate and parallel action can be undertaken for the

- definitions (1.1)
- meeting to discuss budget (2.1)
- review of building lease contract (3.1) by Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen and Hamilton
- preparation of contracts for staff to be transferred from INBIFO (5.1)
- check of customs requirements for the approval of the importing of test materials (8.1) by Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen and Hamilton
- check of possible requirements to operate a research facility other than those related to animal experimentation (9.1) by Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen and Hamilton.

Best regards,

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Dr. R.-A. Walk

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